

AN ORDINANCE

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BY COUNCILMAN C. T. MARTIN

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 162-260 (a), (ENTITLED "FEES CHARGED BY VEHICLE IMMOBILIZATION SERVICE") OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, SO AS TO INCREASE THE ALLOWABLE FEE CHARGED BY VEHICLE IMMOBILIZATION SERVICES, TO THE OWNER OF ANY IMMOBILIZED VEHICLE OR PERSONAL PROPERTY, FROM \$50.00 PER DAY TO \$75.00 PER DAY; TO WAIVE CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

Whereas, the operational costs of vehicle immobilization services, including, but not limited to fuel, equipment and labor, have increased tremendously since the ordinance was enacted almost eight years ago; and

Whereas, such increased costs justify a corresponding increase in the fees allowed to be charged by such services; and

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Atlanta, Georgia desires to increase the fees allowed to be charged by vehicle immobilization services, in order to off-set the rising costs associated with the operation of such businesses.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS as follows:**

**Section 1:** Section 162-260 (a), (entitled "Fees charged by vehicle immobilization service") of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Atlanta, Georgia, which presently provides as follows:

- (a) Any vehicle immobilization service engaged in the business of the immobilization of vehicles shall not charge the owner of any immobilized vehicle or personal property in excess of \$50.00 per day for the removal of the vehicle immobilization device or devices. The \$50.00 fee shall be all-inclusive; no additional fees may be charged for using other equipment.

**Is hereby amended by increasing the allowable fee from \$50.00 to \$75.00, so that when amended, said Code section shall provide as follows:**

- (a) Any vehicle immobilization service, engaged in the business of the immobilization of vehicles, shall not charge the owner of any immobilized vehicle or personal property, in excess of \$75.00 per day for the removal of the vehicle immobilization device or devices. The \$75.00 fee shall be all-inclusive; no additional fees may be charged for using other equipment.

**Section 2:** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, are hereby waived to the extent of any such conflict.